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SUBJ: MICHAEL LYNN HANSEN AKA JOHN HARRIS

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1. HANSEN MADE ROUTINE DEPARTURE FROM BARBADOS ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14. ON SUNDAY, CARIBBEAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION ANNOUNCED HANSEN'S RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES FROM BARBADOS. AS EMBASSY HAS DISCOVERED, LEAKS CONCERNING THESE REPATRIATIONS ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR IN VIEW OF FACT THAT MANY PEOPLE ON AIRPORT STAFF ARE PRIVY TO THE INFORMATION.
 2. EMBASSY AGAIN REQUESTS PERMISSION TO CHARGE COST OF BARBADOS POLICEMEN'S ROOM TO JUSTICE DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATIONS.
 3. FYI: HANSEN, A SELF-STYLED COMMUNIST, STATED THAT HE INTENDED TRAVEL TO NORTH VIETNAM AT TIME OF HIJACKING, BUT WAS UNABLE TO DO SO BECAUSE OF LIMITED FLIGHT RANGE OF WESTERN AIRLINES AIRCRAFT. SUBJECT INFORMED CONOFF THAT HE ATTEMPTED ESCAPE FROM CUBA THREE MONTHS AFTER ARRIVAL, BUT WAS INTERCEPTED BY CUBAN AUTHORITIES BEFORE REACHING THE BEACH. THAT ESCAPE ATTEMPT WAS FOLLOWED BY SEVEN MONTHS IMPRISONMENT, DURING WHICH HE LOST ONE HUNDRED POUNDS IN FIRST THREE MONTHS. AFTER RELEASE FROM PRISON, HANSEN STATED HE WAS ALLOWED TO WORK AS APPLIANCE SALESMAN. HANSEN REITERATED FACT THAT REMAINING HIJACKERS WISH DEPART CUBA AND THAT EVEN THOSE WANTED FOR MURDER AND BANK ROBBERY SEEM TO BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL
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RECEIVE BETTER TREATMENT IN US PRISONS THAN CUBAN JAILS. CONOFF

RECEIVED IMPRESSION FROM HANSEN AND PREVIOUS HIJACKER GRAVES, THAT RETURNING HIJACKERS ARE ANTICIPATING JUDICIAL LENIENCY UPON RETURN TO US. ATTITUDE APPEARS TO BE THAT EXTENUATING PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES OUTWEIGH ACT OF AIR PIRACY.

4. EMBASSY SUGGESTS DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHING STANDING APPROPRIATION IN AMOUNT OF \$100.00 PER FUGITIVE FOR USE IN REPATRIATION CASES. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO WISH AUTHORIZE SIMILAR APPROPRIATION TO COVER ACCOMMODATIONS FOR BARBADOS POLICEMEN.
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